



# ADVANCING A FREE AND OPEN INDO-PACIFIC

A whole-of-government effort to deepen economic and commercial ties across the Indo-Pacific.

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<b>July 30</b>	Indo-Pacific Business Forum (Washington, DC)
<b>August 3 – 4</b>	Secretary Pompeo leads U.S. delegation to ASEAN Regional Forum and ASEAN-centered ministerial meetings (Singapore)
<b>August 7 – 9</b>	Deputy Secretary of Energy Brouillette leads U.S. delegation to Japan for official and industry consultations, including the inaugural U.S.-Japan Bilateral Industry Forum on Nuclear Facility Decommissioning (Tokyo, Japan)
<b>August 27 – 28</b>	Indian Ocean Conference (Hanoi, Vietnam)
<b>August 28 – 29</b>	Indian Ocean Rim Association Women's Economic Empowerment Ministerial (Mauritius)
<b>Late August / Early September</b>	East Asia Summit Economic Ministers Meeting (Singapore)
<b>September</b>	U.S. Department of Agriculture attends India Agricultural Outlook Forum (New Delhi, India)
<b>September 4</b>	Pacific Island Forum Leaders Meeting (Nauru)
<b>September 10</b>	2018 U.S.-Vietnam Business Summit (Hanoi, Vietnam)
<b>September 11 – 13</b>	World Economic Forum: ASEAN (Hanoi, Vietnam)
<b>September 11 – 13</b>	U.S. Department of Transportation hosts a South and Southeast Asia regional workshop on <i>Best Practices in Developing and Managing PPPs for Transportation Infrastructure</i> (Hanoi, Vietnam)
<b>September 17 – 18</b>	U.S. Department of Commerce hosts <i>Access Asia Aerospace &amp; Defense</i> (Phoenix, Arizona)

<b>September 17 – 28</b>	U.S. Department of Transportation hosts transport infrastructure workshop for India's Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (Arlington, VA and Washington, D.C.)
<b>September 18 – 20</b>	Singapore International Cyber Week (Singapore)
<b>September 19 – 20</b>	U.S. Department of Commerce hosts <i>Access Asia Aerospace &amp; Defense</i> (Dallas/Ft. Worth, Texas)
<b>October</b>	Indian Ocean Rim Association 21st Committee of Senior Officials, and 18th Council of Ministers Meetings (South Africa)
<b>October</b>	Indian Ocean Rim Association Women's Business Forum Launch (Mauritius)
<b>October 8 – 13</b>	OPIC EVP David Bohigian leads U.S. delegation to the Indo-Pacific to promote U.S. infrastructure investment (India, Sri Lanka)
<b>October 12 – 14</b>	IMF-World Bank Group Annual Meetings (Bali, Indonesia)
<b>October 14 – 17</b> (Tentative)	CERAWeek, India Energy Forum (New Delhi, India)
<b>October 29 – November 2</b>	Singapore International Energy Week (Singapore)
<b>October 30 – 31</b>	U.S. Department of Commerce hosts <i>Access Asia Healthcare</i> (Irvine, California)
<b>October 31</b>	Office of the U.S. Trade Representative leads U.S. delegation to the U.S.-India Trade Policy Forum (New Delhi, India)
<b>November 1 – 2</b>	U.S. Department of Commerce hosts <i>Access Asia Healthcare</i> (Denver, Colorado)

<b>November 1 – 2</b>	Department of State Bureau of South and Central Asian Affairs hosts Regional Connectivity Conference (New Delhi, India)
<b>November 5 – 9</b>	U.S. Department of Agriculture leads South Korea Agribusiness Trade Mission (Seoul, South Korea)
<b>November 11 – 15</b>	East Asia Summit and U.S.-ASEAN Summit (Singapore)
<b>November 13 – 16</b>	U.S. Pavilion at the Singapore FinTech Festival (Singapore)
<b>November 15</b>	APEC Ministerial Meeting (Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea)
<b>November 15 – 17</b>	APEC CEO Summit (Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea)
<b>November 17</b>	APEC Business Advisory Council Meeting (Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea)
<b>November 18</b>	APEC Economic Leaders' Meeting, Port Moresby
<b>November 30 – December 2</b>	U.S. Pavilion at the Offshore South East Asia Trade Show (Singapore)
<b>December</b>	U.S. Trade and Development Agency hosts LNG Supply and Natural Gas Infrastructure program for Indo-Pacific countries, in cooperation with Japan's Ministry of Economy, Trade, and Industry (Washington, D.C.)
<b>December</b>	U.S. Department of Commerce hosts <i>Discover Global Markets: Indo-Pacific</i> (Salt Lake City, Utah)

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## Spotlight: U.S.-Hosted Diplomatic Engagements

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#### ***Indo-Pacific Business Forum***

- The Indo-Pacific Business Forum, hosted at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, reflected the Administration's whole-of-government commitment to advancing free and open economics in the Indo-Pacific in partnership with the U.S. private sector and foreign partners.
- The Forum was addressed by Secretary of State Pompeo, Secretary of Commerce Ross, Secretary of Energy Perry, USAID Administrator Green, Acting Export-Import Bank President and Chairman Gerrish, and OPIC President Washburne, along with officials from Japan, Australia, Singapore, India, and Indonesia.
- U.S. officials announced new initiatives in foundational economic areas, including digital economy, energy, and infrastructure.

#### ***Access Asia***

- *Access Asia* represents the Department of Commerce's prioritization of the Indo-Pacific as a major export opportunity for American businesses.
- Commerce is hosting a series of 25 events in cities across the United States to connect American firms with Indo-Pacific markets and partners. Next up: Phoenix, Arizona, September 2018.

#### ***Discover Global Markets: Indo-Pacific***

- *Discover Global Markets* is the Department of Commerce's flagship event series for U.S. exporters. The December 2018 conference will focus on the Indo-Pacific, highlighting opportunities across the region for U.S. exporters in aerospace, defense, and security.
- U.S. companies will be able to discuss procurement needs directly with foreign buyers and government decision makers, and to access U.S. government resources to increase global sales.

#### ***Trade Winds: India***

- *Trade Winds* is the largest annual U.S. Government-led trade mission. In May 2019, it starts in India, the world's sixth-largest economy and a rising U.S. export market.
- The event will allow U.S. exporters to capitalize on business opportunities identified during the *Discover Global Markets* and *Access Asia* events in the United States.
- The Department of Commerce will provide U.S. companies business-to-business matchmaking appointments in multiple markets, also enabling foreign partners to learn directly from U.S. companies about their offerings.

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